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Drawing on points contained reftel, Poloff met on December 20 with Azzedine Farhane, Chief of the UN Division at the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to convey the U.S. view that the ceiling rate for member state assessments should remain at 22 percent and urged Moroccan support for the effort to reach consensus on the next UN scale. Farhane said that Morocco's position was that all member states with the means to do so should pay their assessments promptly and in full. He said Morocco had not finalized its position on the appropriate ceiling for assessments, but promised to convey U.S. views to the Minister's office.

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